

WATERSHEDS

What is a Watershed?

A watershed is essentially a drainage area or basin where stormwater flows into. These areas are within the confines of a drainage divide (see map). Our activities on the land impacts the quality and hydrology of our water. Pervious surfaces (mostly vegetated areas) allow some infiltration of water into the ground. Water flowing over impervious surfaces (roads, parking lots, rooftops) collect and transport pollutants from the surfaces into receiving waters.